

Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

Milwaukee County Supervisor Sequanna Taylor urges for \$15 minimum wage

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Milwaukee County Supervisor Sequanna Taylor advocates for an increase in the federal minimum wage. Growing up in one of the poorest zip codes in the nation, Sequanna Taylor has seen first-hand the negative affects that low wages has on individual families, businesses, and the community as a whole.

The current minimum wage, \$7.25 an hour, equates to only \$15,080 for a full time 40-hour workweek. I applaud cities that have worked to raise the minimum wage such as Seattle, San Francisco, Chicago, San Diego, and many others, and I hope that the local leaders here in Milwaukee can work towards increasing our minimum wage for the hard working people of Milwaukee.

Minimum wage increases put money in the pockets of low-wage workers who have little choice but to spend that money immediately in their local communities. Research has shown that raising the minimum wage boosts consumer spending, increasing the demand that drives economic growth.

By being able to provide residents of Milwaukee with good, family supporting jobs we will be able to retain the talented youth in Milwaukee and attract more families to live in the city that I have called home my entire life.

I stand with my brothers and sisters in the Fight for 15 and encourage others to join me in this fight.